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**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

**[OMB 3060-XXXX]**

**Information Collection Being Submitted for Review and Approval to the Office of Management and Budget**

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or the Commission) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection. Comments are requested concerning: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.

The Commission may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid OMB control number.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted on or before **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contacts listed below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all PRA comments to Nicholas A. Fraser, OMB, via email

Nicholas\_A.\_Fraser@omb.eop.gov; and to Nicole Ongele, FCC, via email PRA@fcc.gov and to

Nicole.Ongele@fcc.gov. Include in the comments the OMB control number as shown in the

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information or copies of the

information collection, contact Nicole Ongele at (202) 418-2991. To view a copy of this information

collection request (ICR) submitted to OMB: (1) Go to the Web page <[http://www.reginfo.](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain)

gov/public/do/PRAMain>, (2) look for the section of the Web page called “Currently Under Review,” (3)

click on the downward-pointing arrow in the “Select Agency” box below the “Currently Under Review”

heading, (4) select “Federal Communications Commission” from the list of agencies presented in the

“Select Agency” box, (5) click the “Submit” button to the right of the “Select Agency” box, (6) when the

list of FCC ICRs currently under review appears, look for the OMB control number of this ICR and then

click on the ICR Reference Number. A copy of the FCC submission to OMB will be displayed.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens,

and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), the Federal

Communications Commission (FCC or the Commission) invites the general public and other Federal

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requested concerning: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper

performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical

utility; the accuracy of the Commission’s burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity

of the information collected; ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the

respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information

technology; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with

fewer than 25 employees.

**OMB Control Number:** 3060-XXXX.

**Title:** Connect America Phase II Auction Waiver Post-Selection Review.

**Form Number:** FCC Form 5625.

**Type of Review:** New collection.

**Respondents:** Business or other for-profit.

**Number of Respondents and Responses:** 50 respondents; 150 responses.

**Estimated Time per Response:** 2 hours - 4 hours.

**Frequency of Response:** Annual reporting requirements, one-time reporting requirement and recordkeeping requirement.

**Obligation to Respond:** Required to obtain or retain benefits. Statutory authority for this information collection is contained in 47 U.S.C. sections 151-154, 214, and 254.

**Total Annual Burden:** 500 hours.

**Total Annual Cost:** No Cost.

**Privacy Act Impact Assessment:** No impact(s).

**Nature and Extent of Confidentiality:** There are no assurances of confidentiality. However, the Commission intends to keep the information private to the extent permitted by law. Also, respondents may request materials or information submitted to the Commission believed confidential to be withheld from public inspection under 47 C.F.R. § 0.459 of the FCC's rules.

**Needs and Uses:** The Commission is requesting approval for this new information collection.

On January 26, 2017, the Commission released *Connect America Fund; ETC Annual Reports and Certifications*, WC Docket Nos. 10-90 and 14-58, Order, FCC 17-2 (*New York Auction Order*), which granted New York waiver of the Phase II auction program rules, subject to certain conditions. Specifically, the Commission made an amount up to the amount of Connect America

Phase II model-based support that Verizon declined in New York—\$170.4 million—available to applicants selected in New York’s New NY Broadband Program in accordance with the framework adopted in the *New York Auction Order*.

This information collection addresses the eligibility requirements that New York winning bidders must meet before the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) will authorize them to receive Connect America Phase II support. For each New York winning bid that includes Connect America-eligible areas, the Commission will authorize Connect America support up to the total reserve prices of all of the Connect America Phase II auction eligible census blocks that are included in the bid, provided that New York has committed, at a minimum, the same dollar amount of New York support to the Connect America-eligible areas in that bid. Before Connect America Phase II support is authorized, the Bureau will closely review the winning bidders to ensure that they have met the eligibility requirements adopted by the Commission and that they are technically and financially qualified to meet the terms and conditions of Connect America support. To aid in collecting this information regarding New York State’s winning bidders and the applicants’ ability to meet the terms and conditions of Connect America Phase II support in a uniform fashion, the Commission has created the proposed new FCC Form 5625, which parties should use in their submissions with the FCC.

**Federal Communications Commission.**

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